THE SEAFARERS.

flight,
how echoed back the boatman's hall,
They fied the tide of mimic fright,
hey clambered o'er the rocky height,
They hid in cayes where waters roar;
heir voices rose in shrill delight
Where roll the breakers on the shore,

Their childhood sassed, they pierced th That distance hung before their sight;
Boft foreign breezes filled their sail,
Of tropic storm they knew the might—
The sun by day, the stars by night
Were guides for them the occans o'er;
The beacon flashed its welcome light
Where roll the breskers on the shore.

sight, hey waited for the coming night With simple faith 'twould soon be o'er helr weary frames rest on the height Where roll the breakers on the shore.

Prince, with thy funeral train bedight And royal dirge, what hast thou more Than those they laid with simple rite Where roll the breakers on the shore? —Edward Currier Morgan, in Bosto

The Ghostly Arm. 0:0000:00000:0

BY MILFORD W. FORSHAY.

II M IDDLETON, by all that's great!" Why, Jarvis, where did you come from? And you, Masters?" "We didn't have to come. This is home. You are the one to tell us where

you came from." I can say nearly the same thing that you have, for this city is now my home; but it's true that I've come to town very recently.'

"Well, have you been to lunch? No? Come on with us, then. We want to know what you've been doing while

out of our sight." When the three men who had not seen one another for ten years were seated—at least, two had not seen the other- Jarvis and Masters looked the new arrival over with much interest. They had been unusually intimate as boys and young men, but Middleton had finally drifted away, and had been entirely lost sight of. His present reappearance indicated a state of health, wealth and happiness that had scarcely been promised by his earlier career, and his companions were eager to hear his story.

"Yes," he responded to their looks of inquiry, "this is home, for I live with my family in the suburbs." Family, ch? Masters and I have been married several years, but you,

"Oh, don't hesitate," Middleton laughed. "You wonder how such a spendthrift as I ever could afford to marry. Am I not right?"

"Just about, I may as well confess." "Let me add to your surprise by saying that besides being here with my family I am here to live on my mones -retired at 35 from all but gilt-edged

'You take away a fellow's breath! Can't you tell us about it? There must be something unusual somewhere

to tell one another about everything, resume confidences now that we shall character? meet frequently. My fortune came to me by the most extraordinary circum-

"A ghost!" his two friends exclaimed.

"You know that I had three char- the shadow!

"Now, never having met any ghosts the shadow!

"Now, never having met any ghosts but those in my own mind, I was forthe knack of making money, the foolishness of getting rid of it in a hurry, and a highly wrought imagination. I suppose the last trait was in your mind when you referred to my prospective statement, as one of the 'old yarns.'

Undoubtedly it was these three in concerted action, with the last in the ascendant, that operating by some hidden law brought me into conjunction with the unseen powers and put me in the opulent state. This is how it came about:

the shadow!

"Now, never having met any ghosts but those in my own mind, I was for the moment awed and subdued. Naturally I glanced to get a look at the person who owned the arm. You may know that I was still more startled when I saw that there was no person. The arm from the finger-tips to the shoulder, and its shadow, made up all that was visible. Truly this was uncanny, and I virtually stopped breathing as I saw that shoulderless arm move slowly toward the chimney.

"I watched it with an utter absorption, and saw the fingers begin to work

"As soon as I met her I went to saving with the desperate hope that when I got a little shead I could make a fortunate investment and be enabled to marry. Well, when the bank went down I was out of a good place, but fortunately my savings were located elsewhere, and I was not altogether cut off from expectation. Just then I did a foolish thing. I told Mr. Atherton how I felt toward his daughter, in the hope that he would give me a chance somewhere. It had the opposite effect, and whatever good opinion he entertained toward me was summed up in the declaration that he liked me well enough as a young friend, but that if I aspired to the hand of his daughter I must be able to draw my check for

mpossible stories for your ent ment suggest some scheme for i ich with the few thousand I l hand, I came upon the most pictur-caquely situated residence that I ever saw. The plan I was after came to me in a moment. If I could only see this place and draw the attention of some wealthy city resident to it as desirable for a country house, I could probably dcuble my money in six months.

as you may suppose, for the locality had wonderful natural beauty and pos-sibilities. I shall not stop to tell you about that, however, but get along in the direct line of my story. I turned into the driveway to see what I could earn, and found that the place was learn, and found that the piace without inhabitant. Inquiry at houses in the vicinity brought to light the fact that no one wished to rent or buy the property, because it was haunted. This was stated in sober earnest by the ru-ralites, and served to give zest to my pursuit, for it would tend to cheapen the price. As I had no faith in any other ghosts than those of my own creating, that part of it did not trouble

deed. Then I believed that a little tidying up would add to the salability, so I hired some men and directed them in the work. As this would take up the time until late in the fall, and since it would be necessary for some one to be on the ground to give information to anyone who might answer my advertisements, I moved in. Board was obtained at a neighbor's, but I roomed in the house, which was quite old-fashioned and substantially built.

"Time slipped by, and I had several possible purchasers. Finally one man took an option on it until spring. He paid me \$100, provided I was willing to remain and look after it. I agreed, as I had nothing special to take me elsewhere. It was now the middle of November.

"After the sale was thus practically made, time hung much heavier on my hends. I no longer had the stimulus of expectation, and often feit lonesome and tired of the situation. Such a state was inclined, as it always had been, to excite my imagination, and I occupied much of my leisure in concocting the most unlikely vagaries that ever came to anyone. This was my especial occupation during the long evenings.

"One winter's evening I made a fire in the grate, which was not one of the modern kind, but built of brick. Then I sat down before it in an arm-chair ready to let fancy direct my thought. Taking the solitariness of the location into account, and the rather ancient appearance of the room in which I sat, it was not difficult to have the imagination run.

"In this way I was soon able to see that the fire blazing in front of me was in an old-time fireplace heaped high with logs and flanked by andirons Playing about the floor, too, were the children of years ago in their dress so quaint, while at my right the open of pies and doughnuts and cakes whose peers are now so few and far between. "So I mused until finally bedtime for

the youngsters came.
"After they were gone I sat a little
while in the quiet that came to my
mind, and just as I was ready to rise the clock on the mantel struck 12. I continued to sit still, listening for the from the ghostly arm-and afterward last faint echoes, when I saw the shad- turned it into securities through the

ow of an arm on the brick at the right side of the chimney. It was a peculiar shadow, at once arousing my curiosity, the slightest indication of any visitant or occurrence that could ever have given the reputation of being haunte to the house. Might not this be of that

"The peculiarity in this appearance was its extreme thinness, as nearly as stance you ever heard of. A ghost is I can express it. There was no hin-the source of it." "A ghost!" his two friends exclaimed.
"Oh, no, Mid, you can't palm off any of the old rigmarole on us now, in our mature wisdom."
"Honest though Do you want to "Honest though Do you want to be seen to be seen the part of the bricks. I recognized this much at the first instant that it came before me, but as it moved I was attracted "Honest, though. Do you want to hear about it?"

"Of course. We haven't forgotten your old yarns. We're listening."

"Yes, but I tell you that it isn't one of the old yarns. However, I'll let you hear the whole thing, and you can form your own opinion, so here goes.

"You know that I had three char-

about:

"When you last knew of me I was at the bank. In the way of business I had considerable to do with Mr. Atherton, whom you of course remember. For some reason or other he took quite a liking to me, and invited me to his home. I returned his affection by taking more than a liking to his daughshoved out of sight into solid brick-

"A moment after the hand entered the wall I heard a 'chink, chink, chink,' seven times, as distinct as if I were dropping sliver dollars into a pile. When the noise ceased the arm was withdrawn, and disappeared as sud-denly as it came.

I must be able to draw my check for at least one hundred thousand.

"This let me down a good deal, but in the process it thoroughly stirred me up. I told Miss Atherton how matters stood, and that if I had her encouragement I should go hard after that hundred thousand. Of course, I felt pretty sure of her answer, and when I got it I started out for the money. As I look back to that time I am amazed at my enthusiasm, but I was in dead earnest then

"I came down from our small town to this big New York City, thinking that all kinds of fortune awaited the right man here. After a week began to lose confidence, and one day I took the cars to get out in the country and think awhile. I slighted at a village, and renting a wheel, struck off slong with dust. In this a ring was sunk, in the country and think awhile. I slighted at a village, and renting a wheel, struck off slong with dust. In this a ring was sunk, in the country and think awhile. I slighted at a village, and renting a wheel, struck off slong with dust. In this a ring was sunk, in the country and think awhile. I slighted at a village, and renting a wheel, struck off slong with dust. In this a ring was sunk, in the country and think awhile. I slighted at a village, and renting a wheel, struck off slong with dust. In this a ring was sunk, in the country and think awhile. I slighted at a village, and renting a wheel, struck off slong

nerve to pell, but I was never given to hesitancy, and so gave a jerk.

"Nothing stirred. I tried again, with a strong, steady movement. At this two bricks came away in my hand, upheld by the ring. They had been fastened together on the inside, and the ring was bolted through. I tried to get the light to shine in the opening, but could not. Then I ventured with my hand and arm, as I had seen the ghostly arm do, but I could not reach ghostly arm do, but I could not reach enything.

"I was much excited, and determined to tear the wall away. That hole was to tear the wall away. That hole was made for some purpose, and I was going to learn what. I blought some tools, and went to work. I supposed that I should have to go to the level of the floor, but when I had taken out about two feet two bribks wide I came to a shelf, upon which rested a small wooden box. Eagerly I drew this out, expecting to find money, for it came to me as obvious that the chinking sound made by the shostly arm was designed made by the ghostly arm was designed to tell that there was money within for me. But as I took up the box my spirits fell. It could not have weighed more than half a pound.

"The reaction from my hope was so great that I went to the table slowly, and opened the box with a feeling something like disgust. A note was lying beside a small bottle. This I unfolded, and read with a slight curlosity, which became exasperation by the time I was through. It merely said that the bottle in the box contained an imprisoned genie in liquid form, whose purpose was to benefit the finder by turning all iron upon which it was poured into gold.

"A hoax! I exclaimed, in anger from my overstrained nerves. Then I stopped short. How had I found that bottle? By means more occult than I could explain. And there was no denying anything, for box, bottle and note lay before me. If the ghostly arm ould do so much, what might not the iquid do? I sobered down. The whole hing was plainly of a piece, and having gone so far, it might be well to go

"My ardor revived. I took the bot tle up gingerly, and held it to the light. It was filled with a bluish liquor which seemed to emit little sparks when agitated. Could it turn iron to gold? My head was fairly dizzy with the thought must try.

"Taking it over to the brick hearth I opened it, and poured a few drops on an ax which I had brought into use in demolishing the chimney. Instantly a and I jumped back in amazement. By the time I looked again, an ax of gold ay in place of the iron, and the brick was powdered half an inch deep.

"As soon as the ax could be examine and I satisfied myself that it really had been changed, I went wild. Everything in the house that was of iron speedily brought and made over into gold. So eager was I that I did not notice the liquid until I realized that it was all expended. What a fool I had been not to husband it! Yet not altogether, for scattered about was a fortune in gold, which I gazed upon while "Now, there isn't any use in drawing

this story out, as you have the main fact. I concealed the gold-my gift proper channels. "The finish is given in a word. I was

wife in the world. You are both invited to dine with me to-morrow evening, and enjoy her welcome to my A short pause followed the conclu-sion of Middleton's story. Then Jarvis said, "That's a very interesting way to

tell us how you won your wife by making money, but, er-" "Well?"

"That's just it," broke in Masters.
"When we remember how you used to spin yarns, you know—"

"Gentlemen," interrupted Middleton,
"all I ask you to believe is that the
man who resolutely sets to work for
a legitimate purpose will receive assistance beyond himself."—Farm and
Expected.

LABRADOR MOTHER'S PRIDE. Her Dying Child Had Called Her "Mama," Once, and That

In an article on the people of the Labrador coast, in Harper's Magazine. Norman Duncan tells a pathetic story of a poor mother he met sitting with her child outside the Battle Harbor

"'He've always been like that,' che said. 'He's wonderful sick. I've does better in the air, zur, she added 'Much, much better. Oh. ay, he does he does better in the air!' "'He'll be getting better,' said here in the hos'—

'He'll die,' she interrupted quickly "I was glad that he was to die. If would be better for him and for her She would forget his deformity; sid would forever have the memory of hir and lovely; for, in this, memory is

kind to women. "'No, zur: 'tis me first.'
"The child stirred and complained he lifted him from her lap, rocked

> rocking all the time. "'And does he talk?' I asked.
> "She looked up in a glow of pride;
> and she answered me, flushing gloriously, while she turned her shining eyes once more upon the gasping bab-upon her breast: 'He said "mama" once!'

him, hushed him, drew him close

Henry M. Alden, the editor of Harper's Monthly, once advanced the theory that half of the laughable grammatical errors made by the uned-In that apen, and an hour trying to find out if there was not some natural cause for the appearance—something hanging about the room that would that these same simple people do not make so many errors when conversing nothing that was even remotely satisfactory, and convinced that the arm was supernatural, I keyed myself up and took a lamp close to the chimney. No marks of any kind were to be seen. With the activity of search my full self-control returned, and also, instead of a lessening, as would be natural, there was a deepening of the conviction that there was some important information for me in the movements of the arm.

"I took out my knife, and carefully pricked all over the place where the hand entered the wall. On one end of a brick I found a circular hole, as if it had been ground out, but now filled with dust. In this a ring was sunk, lin choose yet choice!"—K. Y. Times



ir. Blue (in course of conversation) - Well, what is Mr. Black—Oh, nothing.

Mr. Edward Brown—Consult your own mind, Blue.

WAYS OF BIRD CATCHING. WE NUMBER MANY PEOPLES Odd Contrivances Employed in Various Lands for Taking Winged Game.

In Scotland there is a way of taking ptarmigan which seems so simple that it is hardly credible that any birds can have spoken of it as successful, says the Chicago Daily News. A place on the mountain side is chosen where ptarmigan resort and the snow lies sufficiently deep. With an old wine bottle, held neck foremost, holes are made in the ward in the snow, unwilling prisoners but unable to use their wings in getting out again. In Siberfa wild geese are regularly taken in pitfalls like these, but dug in the earth, instead of being poked in the snow. The pits are dug on grassy places where the geese assempots, round and gradually narrowing to the bottom. Baits of grain prove irresistible and the geese tumble head-long in and then, being unable to ex-tend their wings, find that they cannot get out again.

What used to be known as "low belling" was formerly a common sport in England and an effective method of capturing all sorts of birds which roost on the ground, from larks to partridges. Boys still sometimes amuse themselves with it in the rural districts of England and the peasants of Spain and the south steaming vapor arose, sending off a and the peasants of Spain and the south tremendous heat. The helve was burned up in the twinkling of an eye, only necessary apparatus is a large bell, like a cowbell or a dinner bell, and a lantern with a reflector to cast a bright ray of light on the ground. The fowler turns out on dark nights and walks the fields ringing the bell steadily and searching the ground in front with the lantern. The noise and the light, or the two combined, have such an effect in dazzling or terrifying the birds that they may be picked up in the hand.

Catching gulls and other sea fowl by a baited hook and line is a barbarous practice which is sometimes resorted to by sailors. The same method was employed in former times for criching herons. A long line of silk, with a strar of wire twisted in, was fixed to a stone at one end and to hooks at the other, The hooks were balted with live roach ten through.

tobiographical Narrative of Washington.

At this period my great personal strength and endurance were constant emptations to forbidden enterprises on land or water, and it was at this time of my life that I discovered a certain pleas-Youth of Washington" in Century. I find it difficult, not having the philo-sophical turn of mind, to describe what I mean; but of this I became aware as time went on, that, in battle or other risks, I was suddenly the master of larger competence of mind and body than I possessed at other times.

When, on one occasion, the learned Dr. Franklin desired to be excused if he asked whether in battle I had ever felt fear, I had to confess that in confelt fear, I had to confess that in contemplating danger I was like most men,
but that immediate peril had upon me
the influence which liquor has upon
some, making them feel able for anything. H said yes, but as to the influence of drink, that was a mere delusion; whereas he understood, and here
he begged to apologize, that, in great
danger in battle and when the ranks
were heaking. I had seemed to possess were breaking, I had seemed to possess powers of decision and swift judgment beyond those I could ordinarily com-mand. I said it was true, that danger seemed to lift me in mind and body above my common level, and that it was the satisfaction this gave which made danger agreeable; not, be it said, the peril, but the results.

Portland's Coming Fair.

I apprehend him to have been rect, for in battle I have often felt this, as at Monmouth, at Princeton, and else where. In general, my mind acts slowly, and I have been often painfully aware of it when in council with Gen. Hamilton, Mr. Jefterson or Gen. Knox. Wayne was fortunate in this quickening Wayne was fortunate in this quickening of the mind in danger. He once said to Missouri river, crossed the Rocky m tains and followed down the cour the Columbia river to the Pacific.

Women Bootblacks in London.

Women in recent years have invaded so many of the professions which in the past were considered sacred to men that it does not come as a great surprise to find a female bootblack in the streets of London. The woman in question is the wife of a well-known bootblack, and at present she only acts as her husband's understudy, but it is her ambition to run an independent business. The spectacle of women having their boots or shoes cleaned in the streets is quite a common one in

All Mother's Fault.

Her bead rested on his shoulder, and ser little hand lay confidingly in his.

"Tell me, Alfred," said the happy saiden, "how you ever came to pick

Interesting Figures About Immigration and the Countries

Contributing. A recent consular report gives interesting immigration figures. From 1818 to 103-85 years—the number of immigrants was 21,265,723, or the equivalen of one-fourth of the total population to-day. Of all this number the Unit ed Kingdom, which includes the heavy Irish inflow, contributed 32 per cent..; Germany contributed 24 per cent.; Austria-Hungary, Italy, Russis and Poland furnished 21 per cent. But filled with grain. The ptarmigans lean these last named countries in 1903 fur-over to peck it out and find themselves nished 68 per cent. of the immigration overbalanced and caught head down- Europe has sent us 93 per cent. of our immigration, the western hemisphere Asiatic countries, Oceanica and Africa 21/2 per cent. The heaviest immigration of Irish in one year was in 1853, when 162,649 came. The next largest from Ireland was in 1888, when 73,513 came Last year only 35,300 Irish came. The highest figures for the English were 82,394 in 1882. In 1854 215,009 Germans came and in 1882 250,630. From 1866 to 1873 the German immigration averaged 120,000 a year. Last year it was only has been marked. The incoming Italians last year reached their highest fig-100,000 mark in 1900 and what numbers

they may attain can only be guessed at for the tide is running high and chiefly from southern Italy and the islands. Last year the Russian immigration amounted to 136,093, while from Austria-Hungary there came 206,011. The immigration from the Scandinavian peninsula and the northern parts of Europe which we have always considered the most desirable, has so fallen off as to cease to be much of a factor in the comparison. LIVELY TIME AT ELECTION. Contest for an Office in England That

Cost the Candidates Very Heavily. Although the laws of Great Britain are xceedingly strict regarding the expenditure of money at elections, candidates for office find ways of approaching the voters that are by no means inexpensive, says a London paper. The town meeting idea gone to seed was illustrated in the city or dace. The balt was then put out in of Blackburn, England, recently, at an

his gullet and the strand of wire in dates, who spent over \$5,000 in bringing the line prevented it from being bit-voters to the pools. The society has 400,dates, who spent over \$5,000 in bringing 000 members living in four counties and to make the selecton. The election presented a remarkable spectacle. The streets were blocked by all manner of vehicles bringing in voters and 70 railway cars were engaged by the candidates. Thousands failed to get, inside

It is related in the description of the event that there was great cheering when the president and the two candi-dates appeared. On the name of Ash-worth being displayed "a tremendous forest of hands went up and cheering ensued which lasted for five minutes. Slater's name was greeted with less than half the number. The chairman declared Ashworth elected by three to one. Slater excitedly demanded a poll, but this was refused." If the vote had been close the conditions would have been favorable for a first-class riot. The provision for when the society was small. This meth-od is primitive and obviously unsuited

young girl I ever saw. I suppose her beauty is worth money to you."
"Well, I should say," replied the pro-prietor of the restaurant. "She's a shortchange artist and my customers are so blinded by her beauty that they never suspect."—Philadelphia Press.

business. The spectacle of women having their boots or shoes cleaned in the streets is quite a common one in London, and, not unnaturally, the female shoeblack believes that there is a distinct opening for her labors in this direction.

Pame on the Continent no man seems to be really famous unless his features appear on a pictorial postcard. A Frenchman who has recently come before the world has received a letter from a person at Geneva asking for permission to reproduce his photograph in this form and offering ten per cent, of the total takings.

Their Species.

the drum, because of the deep, booming noises that it makes.

The drum feeds by preference on oysters and mussels, and when a chool of the big fellows is gathered in a shallow bay on the oyster beds it often is possible on a still night to hear their deep booming plainly.

Another sait water fish, the beauti-

the squeteague, known as the croaker. The sea robin, so-called because it has magnificent crimson fins as big as a bird's wing just behind his head, is

touched.
The little puffer, or swell fish, which has the ability to puff itself into a perfectly round ball, makes a hoarse, chuckling sound as he does it. At the same time he grinds his sharp teeth so that it can be heard four or five feet

The rabbit fish, the trunk fish and the cow fish, all armed with prominent teeth, grind and gnash them like a swell fish.

The ugly skate curls itself up after

being caught and grunts, groams and gasps like a human being.

The porpoise, which is not a true fish, but looks exactly like one, is known as puffer and puffing pig, be-cause of his ability to puff so loudly that a school can be heard for miles

when the day is calm. Carp and gold fish often make a curious noise, but it is not uttering sounds in the meaning of the term as used here, because they do it merely by approaching the surface of the water and blowing out air in bubbles till a rippling noise is produced.

JES' HAD TO FIGHT ANYHOW.

How a Colored Boy Secured the Favor of a Judge and Continued

15 years of age. He is even more col-Francisco Call. It appears that some months ago

Bill was arrested for roaming the streets at unseemly hours and hauled before the juvenile court. Judge Murasky, on his promise to keep off the streets, released him, but warned him that his actions would be watched and ordered him to appear every Friday invested in gilt-edged stock which is shallow water, where the birds seek election of a trustee of the Philanthropic their food, either in a stream or at the edge of a pond. When the heron The office is worth \$1,200 a year for life reported and his statements that he lucrative position, and I've been carewere verified by the probation officer. One Friday afternoon Bill appeared as usual, but this time he sat in the DANGER AS A STIMULUS. the election is by show of hands. On the appointed day 25,000 voters assembled arrested during the week. It could raise \$50,000 in cash to-mor-

jury box with the boys who has arrested during the week.

"How is this, William?" said Judge Murasky, as the black boy stepped up hanch in response to his name.

I could raise \$50,000 in cash to make row, and I have no reason to doubt that I shall continue to advance here, so that—" yourself. I see you are charged with fighting."

odder night he met me and said you was no good. Mistah, I jes' had to fight..."

Bill is still on probation. Sledding Without Snow.

The island of Madeira is one of the most interesting portions of the globe. Little has been said and less written about the primeval customs of the and each accompanied by the one helper

Luminous Tree.

A remarkable tree grows in Nevada.

It is called by the superstitious Indians the witch tree. It grows to a height of six feet or seven feet, and its trunk at the base is about three times the size of an ordinary man's wrist. The wonderful characteristic of the tree is its luminosity, which is so great that on the darkest night it can be seen plainly at least a mile away. A person standing near could read the finest print by its light.— Chicago Journal.

ing the instest creature ever created. It is usually found clinging to rocks or logs along the shores of rivers and lakes, and has been known to remain in one position perfectly motionless for many months. How the creature manages to exist is a mystery which naturalists have been unable to solve.

Agricultural Machinery in Russia. British manufacturers appear to be steadily losing ground as regards agricultural mechinery in Russia. British manufacturers appear to be steadily losing ground as regards agricultural mechinery in Russia. British manufacturers appear to be steadily losing ground as regards agricultural Machinery in Russia.

THE LANGUAGE OF FISH. THE MODELED IN BUTTER

School by Supplying an Odd Want.

peare loomed up, almost as large as life, in butter. The bust, though, was something of a delusion, because the butter was only skin deep, so to speak.

ful trout-like squeteague, utters a croak, extremely musical, much like that of a big builtrog.

Another croaker is a fish allied to

"This was the way I began as a sculptor in butter. I've made fish for din-ners and animals for game dinners. At a dinner last winter, given in honor of another fish with a voice: He utters a a famous man, each guest was confrontdeep, loud "quawk" when he is caught ed at his place at the table with a little repeats it every time he is pat of butter upon which was a portrait in relief of the celebrity whom they

were honoring.
"There was no clay is that butter. It was meant to be eaten, but I was told afterward that some of the diners said they felt as if they were committing a desecration when they cut into those classic butter features. For these medallions I first made a clay portrait in re-lief, and from this a mold by means of which I reproduced the individual pats without difficulty. So you see there are artistic possibilities in butter, after all.

HOW THEY WORKED HIM.

The Object of the Young Man's Matrimonial Intentions Was a Tax "Equalizer's" Daughter.

Once there was a young man who was madly in love with a beautiful girl, relates the Chicago Record-Herald. After he had called on her a few times her father went to the young man, saying: "I should like to have a few min-

utes' private conversation with you on a little matter of business." The young man's heart began to beat violently, and his face turned

very red. Probation.

"I assure you, Mr. Miggleham," he said, "that my intentions are strictly honorable, and that—" "I beg your pardon for interrupt

ored than his name would indicate—ing." said the girl's father, "but before he is coal black. He is a wise youth, we proceed any further I should like is Bill, as is evidenced by the records to ask you a few questions. What are of the juvenile court, relates the San your resources? Do you own any property? Have you any money in the oank? Have you any paying investments?"

"O," replied the young man, becom sure you on those points very quickly. In the first place, I inherited \$20,000 from my grandmother. This is vested \$12,000 in a house and lot, which I rent for \$175

"I couldn't help it, mistah," said
Bill, with a sly grin. "I jes' has to
fight. You've been pretty good to me."
"Well, Will," interrupted the court,
"what have I got to do with it?"
"Well, mistah," responded Bill,
hanging his head, but slyly gazing at
the judge, "yer sent a white kid to de
Boys' and Girls' Aid the day yer let
me go. Dat kid got erway and de
a member of the board of
equalization, and I notice that you are
down on the list for \$425 worth of
personal property, while your \$12,000
house is listed as being worth \$950.
When the young man revived an
hour later, it was found that his reason was gone, perhaps forever.

THE WILD HORSE RACE.

Mad Mix-Up of Men and Horses Ropes and Saddles When the Fun Begins.

people and the quaint manners that allowed him, wait in picturesque group still exist. I was in Funchal, the capstill exist. I was in Funchai, the capital city, recently, and the English are beginning to frequent the island in large numbers. There are no horses on the island, and the natives employ no wheeled vehicles. All the moving about is done on sleds drawn by buils. Lealie's Monthly. Not until he is blindabout is done on sleds drawn by buils. The London Lancet reports and son of the Academy of Medicine, Paris, sion where a great deal of the thirty of the Paris, season of the Medicine, Paris, sion of Medicine, and the motive deby handkerchief or bit of gunny and hout is done on sleds drawn by buils. The runners are greased to make them split of the modifical tail, and the noily by a tremulous uncertainty that turns to a frenzy of bucking that turns to a frenzy of bucking that turns to a frenzy of bucking that turns to a frenzy of waiting the control of the acade in sleds, a distance of two miles to the city is a mountain, and a cog rational runn to its top. The descent is made in sleds, a distance of two miles to the city, and guides untarn the sadde touches his back. In the made in sleds, a distance of two miles to the city, and guides to the city is a mountain, and a cog rational runn to its top. The descent is made in sleds, a distance of two miles to the city is made in sleds, a distance of two miles to the city is made in sleds, a distance of two miles to the

Drilling Was Ris Forte.

Lieut. Gen. Adna R. Chaffee told the ollowing story while at the Waldorf the other day, as illustrating the uncon-scious humor which the Irishman is so often addicted to:

"A true son of the Emerald isle had applied at a recruiting station in Buffalo for enlistment in the army. The officer in charge asked him, jokingly, I suppose, if he knew anything about drilling."

"Drillin' was it ye said, sor? replied the Irishman. 'An' shure I've wurked in the New York subway fir two years, Drillin', bedad! Ask me another, sor.' "

—N. Y. Press.

AN EXPENSIVE BUNKER.

It Out While He Was

For centuries past naturalists have looked upon fahes as among the least intellectual of all creatures, and have ever expressed doubt of their ability to communicate with each other. Recent investigations, however, have dissipated this idea, and it is found that there are members of the finny tribe that posseems a degree of intelligence to which other more highly esteemed members of the animal creation cannot lay claim.

The idea that fishes are completely dumb is no longer tenable. As a matter of fact there are a great many that utter loud sounds.

A huge fish with big, grinding teeth dwells in salt water and is found all along the United States coast from Massachusetts to Florids. It is called the drum, because of the deep, booming noises that it makes.

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"All right, In go you on that," he said, finally.

All went smoothly for awhile until he "footled" his drive, when out came the dollar bill, which the ciergyman quietly pocketed. On the next hole he drove into the bunker and had to go down into his pockets again. This time out came a \$20 bill.

"But I haven't the change," exclaimed Dr.—

Beneath it was common clay. But the guests were much interested, and soon afterward I received an order to model a butter buildog for a sporting dinner.

"The dog made a hit, I heard. On the transity of illustration of the sport of the spo

West Virginia Aroused.

Roberts, W. Va., May 16.—Many interesting discoveries are being made and many wonderful cures reported recently, but nothing has been seen or heard of in this state to equal the wonderful work of a remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills. The people are very enthusiastic about it, for it seems that there is no case that this wonderful medicine cannot cure.

Among many cases reported that of Mr. John J. Ash, of this place, is conspicuous for its completeness. Mr. Ash was a great sufferer with Kidney trouble, He was gradually growing worse till at the last he was forced to get up three or four times every night. He had tried many medicines without any good result, but at last he found the right one in Dodd's Kidney Pills. He says: "The very first box of Dodd's Kidney Pills did me more good than anything I took in my life."

Now Mr. Ash is well and can sleep all night as comfortably as he ever could.

The ticket speculator entered the private office of the great manufacturer.

"Now, sir," said the former? "let me sell you a season ticket to the baseball grounds." The great manufacturer shook his head

"No," he sighed, "I'm only the bose. You'll have to see the office boy."—Chi-cago Daily News. Could You Use Any Kind of a Sewing

Machine at Any Price?

If there is any price so low, any offer so liberal that you would think of accepting on trial a new high grade, drop cabinet of upright Minnesota, Singer, Whesler & Wilson, Standard, White or New Home Sewing Machine, cut out and return this notice, and you will receive by return mail, postpaid, free of cost, the handsomest sewing machine catalogue ever published. It will name you prices on the Minnesota, Singer, Wheeler & Wilson, White, Standard and New Home sewing machines that will surprise you; we will make you a new and attractive proposition, a sewing machine offer that will astonish you.

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Possible Explanation. "Ignorance," remarked young Saphead,
"they say is bliss."
"That," rejoined Miss Caustique, "accounts for it, I imagine."
"Accounts for what?" queried the youth.
"Your apparent blissfulness," she replied.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

SORE HANDS.

Itching, Burning Palms and Painful Finger Ends-Complete Cure

ful in using my money. I have invested \$12,000 in a house and lot, which I rent for \$175 a month, and I have money scattered around in various banks. If it became necessary I could raise \$50,000 in cash to-morrow, and I have no reason to doubt that I shall continue to advance here, so that—"
"Very well," the old man replied. "Much obliged. I've just been appointed a member of the board of equalization, and I notice that you are down on the list for \$425 worth of

Had to Come Across. Guest-Waiter, bring me a tiptop din-ner. You know what that means, don't you?
Waiter-Yes, sah. It's one that you top off with a tip.—The Smart Set.

A World Wide Reputation.

Wherever men are there will be illness, and wherever people are ill Dodd's Kidey Pills will be found a blessing. Solely on their merits have they pushed their way into almost every part of the civilized world. Their reputation as an honest medicine that can always be relied ou has been built up by the grateful praise of those who have been cured. The two following letters indicate just how the reputation of this remedy knows no geographical bounds. The sick and suffering all over the world are asking for Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Dear Sirs:

from the post.

Kindly let me know at the same time where your branch agency in Egypt is to be found. Thanking you in anticipa-

MOHAMED RACHED,
"Immeubles Libres de l'Etat",
Office of the Minister of
Finance, CAIRO, EGYPT.

Dear Sire:

I want to purchase six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, but I don't know exactly where to apply at Buffalo or London. I suppose they can be sent by express or registered mail from either place. Please advise me of how to proceed in order to get the pills without delay.

Yours truly,

J. P. Simonson,

Viborg, V. Mark,

DENMARK.

Jersey applejack is said to prevent hydrophobia and cause "snakes." The economic and moral status of the fluid is thus open to debate.—N. Y. World.

K. C. S. Almanac for 1904.

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